

Airport Economic Regulatory Authority

†583. SHRI MAHENDRA SAHNI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to bring forward a proposal of Airport Economic Regulatory Authority;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Airports Economic Regulatory Authority (AERA) is proposed to be set up, through an Act of Parliament, to fix, review and approve tariff structure for the aeronautical services and monitor pre-set performance standards at Indian airports. The Authority will ensure a level playing field for all categories of airport operators and also oversee and deal with natural monopoly and common user/carrier segments of airports.

(c) Does not arise.

DPR on modernisation of non-metro Airports

584. SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to modernise a number of non-metro airports in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any detailed project report has been prepared in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The 35 Non-Metro airports identified are Ahmedabad, Amritsar, Guwahati, Jaipur, Udaipur, Trivandrum, Lucknow, Goa, Madurai, Mangalore, Agatti, Aurangabad, Khajuraho, Rajkot, Vadodara, Bhopal, Indore, Nagpur,

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